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7.			continuation/divisional application under 37 CFR § 1.53(d) or a Request for d Examination under 37 CFR 1.114.
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It is requested that the Examiner acknowledge his consideration of document(s) below-listed by initialling same in the space provided adjacent each such application and that the Examiner sign and date this form at the bottom thereof to confirm such consideration having been given.

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